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COMMUNICATION RESUBMITTING RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 **Mail Stop Amendments**

Sir:

On May 6, 2004, the undersigned filed an RCE and response to the outstanding office action. The fees were also submitted to cover the RCE and a three month extension of time.

The response, as filed, inadvertently, did not include the attached exhibits that were referred to in the text of the response. Accordingly, Applicant resubmits the response with the attachments. Since the requisite fees were paid with the filing of the other response, and since this is being timely filed within the extended period, no further fee is required for entry of this response.

> Respectfully submitted, STEVE E. HOFFMAN

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION (RESUBMITTED)

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Sir:

This is in response to the final office action mailed November 14, 2003 in the abovereferenced application. This response is being filed within the three month extension period. A request for a three month extension of time was filed on May 6, 2004. A Request for Continued Examination was also filed on May 6, 2004. Please charge and additional fee that is due, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0573.

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